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SB1032

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/12C-5 was 720 ILCS 5/12-21.6

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning endangering the life or health of a child.

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A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning criminal law.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by changing
Section 12C-5 as follows:

6 (720 ILCS 5/12C-5) (was 720 ILCS 5/12-21.6)

Sec. 12C-5. Endangering the life or health of a child.

8 (a) A person commits endangering <u>the</u> the life or health of 9 a child when he or she knowingly: (1) causes or permits the 10 life or health of a child under the age of 18 to be endangered; 11 or (2) causes or permits a child to be placed in circumstances 12 that endanger the child's life or health. It is not a violation 13 of this Section for a person to relinquish a child in 14 accordance with the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act.

(b) A trier of fact may infer that a child 6 years of age or younger is unattended if that child is left in a motor vehicle for more than 10 minutes.

(c) "Unattended" means either: (i) not accompanied by a
person 14 years of age or older; or (ii) if accompanied by a
person 14 years of age or older, out of sight of that person.

(d) Sentence. A violation of this Section is a Class A
misdemeanor. A second or subsequent violation of this Section
is a Class 3 felony. A violation of this Section that is a

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proximate cause of the death of the child is a Class 3 felony for which a person, if sentenced to a term of imprisonment, shall be sentenced to a term of not less than 2 years and not more than 10 years. A parent, who is found to be in violation of this Section with respect to his or her child, may be sentenced to probation for this offense pursuant to Section 12C-15.

8 (Source: P.A. 97-1109, eff. 1-1-13.)